PREVIOUS YEAR PAPER

DSSSB Personal Assistant 2021 — 29 November 2021, Shift 2

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Questions from the Delhi Subordinate Services Selection Board's paper of 29 November 2021, Shift 2. Each question is followed by its answer, and the answer key is repeated on the last page.

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General Awareness1

41. In which year did the Supreme Court of India first recognize transgender people as a third gender?

(a) 2012
(b) 2013
(c) 2014
(d) 2015

Answer: (c)

42. In October 2021, the International Monetary Fun MF) announced that _____ would step down as its Chief Economist and Director of the Researc epartment in January 2022.

(a) Maurice Obstfeld
(b) Gita Gopinath
(c) Simon Johnson
(d) Olivier Blanchard

Answer: (b)

43. In computer parlance, DNS stands for _____.

(a) Dot Net Server
(b) Domain Name System
(c) Domain Name Synchronization
(d) Document Name System

Answer: (b)

44. Who among the following have won the Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine for the year 2021?

(a) Gerty Cori and Carl Cori
(b) Alva Myrdal and Gunnar Myrdal
(c) David Julius and Ardem Patapoutian
(d) May-Britt Moser and Edvard

Answer: (c)

45. Which of the following is a scheme by the Government of India meant to meet the education and marriage expenses of a girl child?

(a) SWADHAR Scheme
(b) Mahila Udyam Nidhi Scheme
(c) UJJAWALA Scheme
(d) Sukanya Samriddhi Yojana

Answer: (d)

46. In which year wasthe Jain community granted minority status in India?

(a) 1995
(b) 1981
(c) 2002
(d) 2014

Answer: (d)

47. Which of the following sects/communities is known to be followers of 12th-century social reformer Basavanna and his vachana (verses) philosophy?

(a) Lingayats
(b) Udayars
(c) Paravars
(d) Mukkuvars

Answer: (a)

48. As of November 2021, cricket players of which one following countries hold the record for highest partnership by runs in T20 cricket format?

(a) Afghanistan
(b) Australia
(c) India
(d) Pakistan

Answer: (a)

49. Where is the headquarter of All India Football Federation?

(a) Kolkata
(b) Delhi
(c) Mumbai
(d) Bhubaneshwar

Answer: (b)

50. In which of the following present-day states of India was the Kalinga war fought?

(a) Bihar
(b) Odisha
(c) Maharashtra
(d) Jharkhand

Answer: (b)

51. Who was the founder of Tughlaq Dynasty?

(a) Tughlaq Khan

(b) Ghiyath al-Din Tughlaq

(c) Firuz Shah Tughlaq

(d) Abu Bakr Shah

Answer: (b)

52. When was The Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS) founded?

(a) 1925

(b) 1926

(c) 1927

(d) 1928

Answer: (a)

53. Which of the following terms collectively refers to the armed organizations that fought against the Pakistan army during the Bangladesh Liberation War?

(a) Liberation Tigers

(b) Mukti Bahini

(c) Bengal Tigers

(d) Freedom Bahini

Answer: (b)

54. Who among the following was the founder of Int ational Society of Krishna Consciousness (ISKCON)?

(a) Paramahansa Yogananda

(b) Maharishi Mahesh Yogi

(c) A.C. Bhaktivedanta

(d) Swami Satyananda Saraswati

Answer: (c)

55. In which year did former Indian prime minister Rajiv Gandhi sign the Indo-Sri Lanka Peace Accord in Colombo?

(a) 1986

(b) 1987

(c) 1988

(d) 1989

Answer: (b)

56. In which year was the foundation stone of the Victoria Memorial, Kolkata laid?

(a) 1906

(b) 1907

(c) 1908

(d) 1909

Answer: (a)

57. What is the term used for the presentation of the nine different human expressions / emotions in a dance?

(a) The Navranga
(b) The Navarasa
(c) The Navchetni
(d) The Navasura

Answer: (b)

58. _____ dance is the folk dance of the snake charmers from the state of Rajasthan.

(a) Kalbelia dance
(b) Sapera dance
(c) Ghomer dance
(d) Been dance

Answer: (a)

59. Which of the following is a major festival of Sikkim, celebrated by the Buddhist population of the state?

(a) Dree
(b) Lui-Ngai-Ni
(c) Moatsu Mong
(d) Saga Dawa

Answer: (d)

60. "Maand" folk music is from which of the followi ndian states?

(a) Bihar
(b) Chhattisgarh
(c) Rajasthan
(d) Orisha

Answer: (c)

General Awareness2

61. Which of the following states is known for “Baul” songs.

(a) Kashmir
(b) Goa
(c) Kerala
(d) West Bengal

Answer: (d)

62. Which is of the following institutions is the Principal Financial Institution engaged in promotion, financing & development of the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) sector?

(a) SIDBI
(b) IDBI
(c) NABARD
(d) IFCI

Answer: (a)

63. What was the Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) limit in the insurance sector in India as of 31 October 2021?

(a) 74%
(b) 51%
(c) 49%
(d) 100%

Answer: (a)

64. Bombay High (now Mumbai High) field is an offshore oilfield located in the_____

(a) Arabian Sea
(b) Indian Ocean
(c) Bay of Bengal
(d) South China Sea

Answer: (a)

65. As per the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Ga n FY 2018-19, which of the following states is the highest producer of Crude Oil?

(a) Assam
(b) Maharashtra
(c) Rajasthan
(d) Gujarat

Answer: (c)

66. Which of the following is the India's highest-commercial airport?

(a) Calicut International Airport
(b) Veer Savarkar International Airport
(c) Imphal Airport
(d) Kushok Bakula Rimpochee Airport

Answer: (d)

67. As per Census 2011, the approximate literacy rate at all India level is_____

(a) 73%
(b) 52%
(c) 60%
(d) 46%

Answer: (a)

68. When was the Citizenship (Amendment) Act, 2019 passed by the Parliament?
    (a) December 2019
    (b) March 2019
    (c) Jun 2019
    (d) May 2019
    Answer: (a)

69. At the time of independence, India had an approximate population of____
    (a) 250 million
    (b) 340 million
    (c) 180 million
    (d) 460 million
    Answer: (b)

70. Where is India's largest floating solar PV project located?
    (a) Simhadri
    (b) Bikaner
    (c) Thiruvananthapuram
    (d) Sriperumbudur
    Answer: (a)

71. Which of the following is the biggest freshwater la of Rajasthan?
    (a) Udai Sagar Lake
    (b) Pushkar Lake
    (c) Fateh Sagar Lake
    (d) Rajsamand Lake
    Answer: (d)

72. Earth is the ____ largest planet in the solar system;
    (a) 5th
    (b) 3rd
    (c) 4th
    (d) 6th
    Answer: (a)

73. Where is the world’s largest aluminum mine?
    (a) America
    (b) Australia
    (c) Canada
    (d) India
    Answer: (b)

74. Which of the following cell organelles generate most of the chemical energy needed to power the cell's biochemical reactions?

(a) Mitochondria
(b) Lysosome
(c) Ribosome
(d) Cytoplasm

Answer: (a)

75. Which of the following is not a Fundamental Rights given to Indian citizen?

(a) Right to Equality
(b) Right to freedom
(c) Right against exploitation
(d) Right for livelihood

Answer: (d)

76. Which committee recommended the inclusion of a separate chapter on fundamental duties in the Constitution?

(a) Swaran Singh Committee
(b) Harendra Coomar Mookerjee Committee
(c) B. N. Rau Committee
(d) J. B. Kripalani Committee

Answer: (a)

77. The Comptroller and Auditor General of India su' .ts his reports to the _____ of India.

(a) President
(b) Prime Minister
(c) Finance Minister
(d) Chief Justice

Answer: (a)

78. What is the name given to the benches of the Supreme Court of India which consists of at least five judges of the court?

(a) Legal bench
(b) Regional bench
(c) Constitution bench
(d) Division bench

Answer: (c)

79. Which Article of the Constitution of India deals with the procedure of impeachment of the President?

(a) Article 55
(b) Article 61
(c) Article 68
(d) Article 73

Answer: (b)

80. Which of the following planets does not have any moon?

(a) Saturn

(b) Jupiter

(c) Venus

(d) Uranus

Answer: (c)

General English1

121. Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.
Mind your _____ business.

(a) self

(b) own

(c) all

(d) each

Answer: (b)

122. Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.
_____ did you lend your car to?

(a) What

(b) Which

(c) Whom

(d) Whose

Answer: (c)

123. Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.
Please _____ your hands if you agree.

(a) rise

(b) raise

(c) rising

(d) raising

Answer: (b)

124. Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.
_____ , I have nothing to do with the case.

(a) Frankly

(b) Specially

(c) Promptly

(d) Recently

Answer: (a)

125. Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.
This house has not been painted _____ years.

(a) from
(b) for
(c) since
(d) during

Answer: (b)

126. Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.
If you _____ your car here, it might be towed away.

(a) park
(b) parks
(c) are parking
(d) have been parking

Answer: (a)

127. Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.
We _____ any information as yet.

(a) did not receive
(b) have not received
(c) had not received
(d) are not receiving

Answer: (b)

128. Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.
I _____ the mess before anyone sees it.

(a) clean
(b) cleaned
(c) will clean
(d) was cleaning

Answer: (c)

129. Select the most appropriate article to fill in the blank.
_____ best suggestion came from a ten- year old.

(a) A
(b) An
(c) The
(d) No article required

Answer: (c)

130. Select the most appropriate article to fill in the blank.
This is going to be _____ amazing experience!

(a) a
(b) an
(c) the
(d) No article required

Answer: (b)

131. Select the option that expresses the given sentence in active voice.
Who was his name proposed by?

(a) Who proposed his name?
(b) Who has proposed his name?
(c) Who will propose his name?
(d) Who was proposing his name?

Answer: (a)

132. Select the option that expresses the given sentence in passive voice.
Tell him to leave at once.

(a) He is being told to leave at once.
(b) He has been told to leave at once.
(c) Let him being told to leave at once.
(d) Let him be told to leave at once.

Answer: (d)

133. Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.
Prince Siddharth _____ in search of enlighten.

(a) set on
(b) set up
(c) set out
(d) set aside

Answer: (c)

134. Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.
The manager _____ his point very convincingly.

(a) put across
(b) put out
(c) put off
(d) put on

Answer: (a)

135. Select the correctly punctuated sentence.

(a) Is this new book her's?

(b) Is this new book hers?

(c) Is this new book hers'?

(d) Is this new book hers!

Answer: (b)

136. Select the correctly punctuated sentence.

(a) "I wish I had lot's of money," said Mini.

(b) "I wish I had lots of money," said Mini.

(c) I wish I had lot's of money, said Mini.

(d) "I wish I had lots of money." said mini.

Answer: (b)

137. Select the option that expresses the given sentence in direct speech.
Pankaj asked me if I would have some juice.

(a) Pankaj said to me, "Do you have some juice?"

(b) Pankaj said to me, "Did you have some juice?"

(c) Pankaj said to me, "Are you having some juice?"

(d) Pankaj said to me, "Will you have some juice?"

Answer: (d)

138. Select the option that expresses the given sente e in indirect speech.
"Don't ask any questions now," said mother to Mon

(a) Mother told Mona not to ask any qu ns w.

(b) Mother told Mona don't ask any questio w.

(c) Mother told Mona not to ask any questions then.

(d) Mother told Mona that don't ask any questions then.

Answer: (c)

139. Fill in the blank with the most appropriate collocation.
The couple was _____ a baby girl.

(a) blessed for

(b) blessed to

(c) blessed with

(d) blessed from

Answer: (c)

140. Fill in the blank with the most appropriate collocation.
He _____ to his grandparents every Saturday.

(a) takes a visit

(b) pays a visit

(c) gives a visit

(d) holds a visit

Answer: (b)

General English2

141. Select the most appropriate synonym of the given word.
Mirth

(a) Woe
(b) Work
(c) Joy
(d) Pain

Answer: (c)

142. Select the most appropriate synonym of the given word.
Conceit

(a) Humility
(b) Timidity
(c) Anxiety
(d) Pomposity

Answer: (d)

143. Select the most appropriate ANTONYM of the given word.
Jeer

(a) Taunt
(b) Mock
(c) Praise
(d) Jest

Answer: (c)

144. Select the most appropriate ANTONYM of the given word.
Brisk

(a) Quick
(b) Idle
(c) Lively
(d) Agile

Answer: (b)

145. Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom.
For good

(a) Forever
(b) On the whole
(c) Gradually
(d) Self-interest

Answer: (a)

146. Select the most appropriate meaning of the given proverb.
Still waters run deep

(a) People who pretend to be friends
(b) People who are shy cannot succeed
(c) People who are quiet are usually wise
(d) People who are lazy enjoy life

Answer: (c)

147. Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom.
Make a clean sweep

(a) Lead successfully
(b) Win with a large margin
(c) Overcome a difficulty
(d) Take courage despite failure

Answer: (b)

148. Select the INCORRECTLY spelt word.

(a) Hidden
(b) Writting
(c) Swimming
(d) Robbing

Answer: (b)

149. Select the INCORRECTLY spelt word.

(a) Affiliate
(b) Allusion
(c) Amature
(d) Adjourn

Answer: (c)

150. Select the correctly spelt word.

(a) Desprate
(b) Desperate
(c) Desperat
(d) Desprat

Answer: (b)

151. Arrange the words in the correct order to make a meaningful sentence.
A best way to repeat it the mistake is not to handle.

(a) The mistake not to repeat it is a best way to handle.
(b) To repeat not a mistake it is the way to handle best.
(c) The way to repeat a mistake is best to not handle it.
(d) The best way to handle a mistake is not to repeat it.

Answer: (d)

152. Sentences of a paragraph are given below in jumbled order. Arrange the sentences in the correct order to form a meaningful and coherent paragraph.
A. All her life, no dentist had been allowed to examine her teeth.
B. My grandmother had a paranoid distrust of dentists.
C. Even then, she stubbornly held on to the belief that there would be no dentures for her.
D. Not surprisingly, she lost her teeth, one or two at a time till there were none left.

(a) BCAD
(b) DCBA
(c) BADC
(d) DACB

Answer: (c)

153. Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.
Can we _____ the meeting by a week?

(a) suspend
(b) waive
(c) cancel
(d) postpone

Answer: (d)

154. Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.
All rules and regulations are being strictly _____ by the authorities.

(a) inaugurated
(b) implemented
(c) appointed
(d) assembled

Answer: (b)

155. Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.
Your answers must be precise and without any _____ details.

(a) supernatural
(b) superstitious
(c) superfluous
(d) supercilious

Answer: (c)

156. Which of these statements is NOT true about streets in Kathmandu?

(a) They are full of potholes.
(b) They are narrow and congested.
(c) They have dividers and traffic lights.
(d) They are full of two-wheelers.

Answer: (c)

157. The slogan of the traffic police in Nepal indicates that honking:

(a) embarrasses others

(b) diverts attention

(c) is not a civilized act

(d) is totally banned

Answer: (c)

158. Sarbendra Khanal was chosen to head the traffic police because:

(a) he could create awareness

(b) he was a tough and efficient officer

(c) he had little traffic experience

(d) he was an encounter specialist

Answer: (b)

159. Which of these measures was NOT adopted by Khanal to create awareness?

(a) Roadside gatherings

(b) Sessions with bus and truck drivers

(c) A fine of 500 Nepalese rupees

(d) Visits to schools and colleges

Answer: (c)

160. 'Instinctive action at the wheel' refers to:

(a) people staring at Dangal because of poor dri g skills

(b) avoiding pedestrians and animals crossing t road

(c) Dangal's frustration and aggression

(d) Dangal's habit of honking frequently while driving

Answer: (d)

Answer key

Answer key from the Delhi Subordinate Services Selection Board's official answer key for this sitting. "—" means the key gave none.

General Awareness1

41	**(c)**	42	**(b)**	43	**(b)**	44	**(c)**	45	**(d)**	46	**(d)**
47	**(a)**	48	**(a)**	49	**(b)**	50	**(b)**	51	**(b)**	52	**(a)**
53	**(b)**	54	**(c)**	55	**(b)**	56	**(a)**	57	**(b)**	58	**(a)**
59	**(d)**	60	**(c)**								

General Awareness2

61	**(d)**	62	**(a)**	63	**(a)**	64	**(a)**	65	**(c)**	66	**(d)**
67	**(a)**	68	**(a)**	69	**(b)**	70	**(a)**	71	**(d)**	72	**(a)**
73	**(b)**	74	**(a)**	75	**(d)**	76	**(a)**	77	**(a)**	78	**(c)**
79	**(b)**	80	**(c)**								

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121	**(b)**	122	**(c)**	123	**(b)**	124	**(a)**	125	**(b)**	126	**(a)**
127	**(b)**	128	**(c)**	129	**(c)**	130	**(b)**	131	**(a)**	132	**(d)**
133	**(c)**	134	**(a)**	135	**(b)**	136	**(b)**	137	**(d)**	138	**(c)**
139	**(c)**	140	**(b)**								

General English2

141	**(c)**	142	**(d)**	143	**(c)**	144	**(b)**	14	**(a)**	146	**(c)**
147	**(b)**	148	**(b)**	149	**(c)**	150	**(b)**	151	**(d)**	152	**(c)**
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159	**(c)**	160	**(d)**								